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Recent Awards

The Boston Foundation

Initiative to Strengthen Arts and Cultural Service Organizations

Program:

To assure the stability of arts and cultural service organizations and enhance their ability to serve the sector, the Boston Foundation has launched a targeted two-year initiative to distribute funding in strategic operating grants to such organizations. The program seeks to have a positive impact on the work of the artists and organizations these agencies help by enhancing the internal capacity of service organizations and expanding their programmatic activities. For the purpose of this funding opportunity, arts and cultural service organizations are defined as nonprofits with missions and programs that are substantially focused on serving and enhancing the capacity of individual artists and arts and cultural organizations. Organizations may submit proposals in either of two categories:

- 1) Externally focused activities that enhance or expand service delivery to artists and/or cultural organizations; or
- 2) Internally focused work or activities that build a service organization's own management and service capacity.

Proposals that blend the two approaches are also welcomed. The criteria for an agency's selection include management excellence, capacity to serve, and impact on and service to artists and small community-based arts organizations within the Greater Boston area.

Funds: Total funds available: \$180,000

Range of grants: \$10,000 to \$30,000

Deadline: March 15, 2004

Eligible: Not-for-profit 501(c)(3) agencies that provide services to artists and cultural nonprofit

organizations within Greater Boston

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CHILDREN AND YOUTH

U.S. Department Of Health And Human Services

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Sociocultural and Community Risk and Protective Factors for Child Maltreatment and Youth Violence

Program:

The purpose of this program is to inform violence prevention efforts by testing the extent to which potentially modifiable sociocultural and community risk and protective factors are associated with child maltreatment and early risk factors for youth violence. This program addresses the Healthy People 2010 focus area of Injury and Violence Prevention. Under this initiative, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention seeks to empirically demonstrate the predictive utility of potentially modifiable sociocultural

and community characteristics to predict child maltreatment and early risk factors for youth violence. Previous research has described the importance of larger community and sociocultural factors such as access to social capital, community social organization, economic and family resources, residential instability, and community and family violence. However, limited information exists about the mechanisms through which these and other potentially modifiable risk and protective factors might have an impact on child maltreatment and the factors that place children on a developmental trajectory toward violence during later childhood, adolescence, and young adulthood. Modifiable factors include those that can be changed directly as well as those whose path to violence can be altered to reduce risk. By improving our understanding of how potentially modifiable community and sociocultural factors are associated with child maltreatment and early risk factors for youth violence the results from this research will inform the development of violence prevention strategies.

Funds: Total funds available: \$500,000

Number of Awards: one

Deadline: Notice of intent to apply: January 5, 2004

Application: February 17, 2004

Eligible: Public and nonprofit private and for profit organizations and governments and their

agencies, universities, colleges, research institutions, hospitals, and community-based

and faith-based organizations.

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Boston Connects, Inc.

Family Opportunity Network

Program: Boston Connects, Inc., the community-based organization working to create and

sustain economic self-sufficiency for individuals, families, and communities in Boston's Empowerment Zone, has issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for a Family

Opportunity Network to provide a comprehensive array of support services to individuals and families in the Empowerment Zone. A Family Opportunity Network

will provide "one-stop shopping" so that an individual or family's barriers to

employment can be met in a comprehensive and effective manner. For this initiative, Boston Connects, Inc. seeks a broad-based collaboration between not-for-profit organizations with demonstrated expertise in the areas of mental health, substance abuse, healthcare, child and adolescent development, legal advocacy, job placement, and housing information and referral. Services to be provided will include outreach,

intake assessment, and case management services.

Funds: Total funds available: up to \$1,100,000 over two years

Deadline: January 23, 2004 by 5:00 p.m.

Eligible: Not-for-profit community-based organizations and experienced agencies located in or

in proximity to Boston's Empowerment Zone

Information: Shirley Carrington, Deputy Director, Boston Connects, Inc., 2201 Washington Street,

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Boston Connects, Inc.

Case Management Services to Support Reintegration

Program:

Boston Connects, Inc., the community-based organization working to create and sustain economic self-sufficiency for individuals, families, and communities in Boston's Empowerment Zone, has issued a Request for Proposals and will provide funding to qualified organizations for case management to support the reintegration of ex-offenders in the community. Boston Connects solicits proposals for integrated case management and job placement services which enable Empowerment Zone exoffenders to address issues that hinder or prevent them from becoming and remaining employed. Programs must support and strengthen life skills, and also provide strong connections to jobs. Boston Connects, Inc. seeks proposals that demonstrate a comprehensive knowledge of ex-offenders' needs and their barriers to economic selfsufficiency, as well as a realistic understanding of the job opportunities available to them. A collaborative approach to service delivery is required. Program services must outline a progression toward employment that coordinates: job readiness; job training; CORI review and update; housing stabilization; financial literacy; mental and physical health; substance abuse treatment and recovery; life skills; and work experience that allows individuals to capitalize on their aptitudes and opportunities. Job placement and retention must be considered a priority, with case management continuing for a minimum of six months after initial placement. Boston Connects, Inc. seeks culturally competent and gender-sensitive services that will meet the challenges faced by exoffenders who may have limited experience with the formal economy. Previous performance in placement of ex-offenders will be examined for the demonstrated ability to produce job outcomes. A minimum of five years of staff or program experience in serving the needs of ex-offenders is required. Proposals must target economic sectors that can provide the best possibilities for employment in a tight, skillfocused job market that greatly limits participation by ex-offenders. These program services are expected to be designed and delivered as a partnership or collaboration between two or more agencies. Proposals also must contain a current, written agreement from at least one employer to provide work opportunities for clients who are job-ready. An innovative approach to service delivery is greatly encouraged. Responsive proposals will show evidence of research and adaptation of best practices by national program models. Services must be provided either within the Empowerment Zone, or in close proximity so that Zone residents can readily access the services available. The lead service contractor must demonstrate that a significant portion of its service population is composed of ex-offenders, or that its staff has significant experience in serving the ex-offender population. At least 25 percent of the total program budget must be provided as a match, either in-kind or from other public

or private funding sources. Since community capacity-building is one of the major goals of Boston Connects, Inc., smaller community-based organizations in the Empowerment Zone that have the required experience will receive priority

consideration. The Bidders Conference for the RFP will be held on December 12, 2003

at 10:00 a.m. at the Boston Connects, Inc. offices.

Funds: Total funds available: \$150.000

Deadline: Notice of intent to bid: January 6, 2004

Proposal: January 23, 2004 by 5:00 p.m.

Eligible: Private, not-for-profit 501(c) 3 organizations and experienced agencies located in or in

proximity to Boston's Empowerment Zone Private.

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EDUCATION

U.S. Department of Education

Early Childhood Educator Professional Development

Program: The purpose of Early Childhood Educator Professional Development grants is to

provide high-quality professional development programs to improve the knowledge and skills of early childhood educators and caregivers who work in early childhood programs located in high-poverty communities and who serve primarily children from low-income families in order to promote school readiness and better learning outcomes for these children. These professional development programs must primarily provide research-based training that will improve early childhood pedagogy and will further children's language and literacy skills to prevent them from encountering reading

difficulties when they enter school.

Funds: Total funds available: approximately \$15 million

Range of awards: \$1,200,000 to \$2,800,000

Number of awards: five to 12

Deadline: February 27, 2004

Eligible: Institutions of higher education, local education agencies, state education agencies,

other private and public organizations, and partnerships of a professional development provider, public agencies, Head Start agencies, or private organizations, and an entity with experience in training early childhood educators about identifying and preventing behavioral problems or with experience in working with children who are victims of

abuse.

Information: Melanie Kadlic, U.S. Department of Education, Office of Elementary and Secondary

Education, Early Childhood Educator Professional Development, 400 Maryland Avenue, S.W., 3C188, FB-6, Washington, DC 20202-6132, Telephone: (202) 260-

3793, Fax: (202) 260-7764, E-mail: Melanie.Kadlic@ed.gov, Link:

http://www.ed.gov/programs/eceducator/index.html

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U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Capacity Building Assistance To Improve the Delivery and Effectiveness of Human Immunodeficiency Virus Prevention Services for Racial/Ethnic Minority Populations

Program: The purpose of this announcement is to provide financial assistance to national and

regional non-governmental organizations to provide capacity building assistance to community-based organizations and health departments providing HIV prevention services, and to HIV prevention community planning groups. This funding will enable the capacity building assistance consumers to implement, improve, evaluate, and sustain the delivery of effective human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) prevention services for high-risk racial/ethnic minority populations of unknown or negative serostatus, including pregnant women, and people of color who are living with HIV/AIDS and their partners. The term capacity building assistance means the provision of information, technical assistance, training, and technology transfer for individuals and organizations to improve the delivery and effectiveness of HIV prevention services, and does not include the delivery of direct HIV prevention services and interventions. This program addresses the Healthy People 2010 focus area of HIV infection, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Government Performance and Results Act Performance Plan, the goals of Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's HIV Prevention Strategic Plan through 2005, and Advancing HIV Prevention: New Strategies for a Changing Epidemic. Funding will be awarded to support programs in four focus areas:

• Focus Area 1: Strengthening Organizational Infrastructure for HIV Prevention

• Focus Area 2: Strengthening Interventions for HIV Prevention

 Focus Area 3: Strengthening Community Access and Utilization of HIV Prevention Services

• Focus Area 4: Strengthening Community Planning for HIV Prevention

Funds: Total funds available: \$21 million

Range of awards: \$200,000 to \$1.8 million

Number of awards: 33

Deadline: Letters of intent: December 22, 2003

Applications: January 26, 2004

Eligible: Public and private nonprofit organizations, including national or regional

organizations, universities, colleges, and faith-based organizations

Information: Samuel Tayeras, Team Leader, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National

Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention, Division of HIV/AIDS Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road, Mailstop E-40, Atlanta, GA 30333, Telephone: (404) 639-5241, E-mail:

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U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Prevention Projects for Community-Based Organizations

Program:

The purpose of the program announcement is to support the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's goal of reducing the number of new HIV infections in the United States. Funds are available under this announcement for HIV prevention projects for community-based organizations. Measurable outcomes of this program will be in alignment with one or more of the following performance goals for the National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention:

- Decrease the number of persons at high risk for acquiring or transmitting HIV.
- Increase the proportion of HIV-infected people who know they are infected.
- Increase the proportion of HIV-infected people who are linked to appropriate prevention, care, and treatment services.
- Strengthen the capacity nationwide to monitor the epidemic, develop and implement effective HIV prevention interventions, and evaluate prevention programs.

Funds: Total funds available: \$49 million

Average grant size: \$300,000

Range of grants: \$100,000 to \$500,000

Number of awards: 160

Deadline: Letters of intent: December 22, 2003

Applications: February 6, 2004

Eligible: Community-based and faith-based nonprofit organizations

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U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Youth Violence Prevention Through Community-Level Change

Program:

The purpose of the program is to announce the availability of funds for a cooperative agreement program for the evaluation of community-level interventions to reduce youth violence. The program addresses the Healthy People 2010 focus area Injury and Violence Prevention. Measurable outcomes of the program will be in alignment with the performance goal for the National Center for Injury Prevention and Control of conducting a targeted program of research to reduce injury-related death and disability. Youth violence has been linked to a variety of factors, including individual, family, community, and societal characteristics. While much research has been conducted on interventions with individuals and families, less often have interventions focused on variables at the broader community level. A number of characteristics of communities increase the probability of violence. Rates of violence are high in areas that have large concentrations of poor and unemployed people, crowded housing, residential

instability, family disruption, illegal drug distribution and sales, diminished private economic activity, and limited positive opportunities for youths and adults. Rates of violence are also high in neighborhoods where there is low community participation, disorganization, and a lack of cohesion. People living in these types of communities tend to be socially isolated and exhibit lower levels of attachment to the community, factors that also limit their ability to supervise and control adolescent peer groups, especially gangs. Research funded under this announcement is expected to address this important gap in the prevention literature. The ultimate aim of such an approach is to assess whether interventions designed to change community structures and social processes can reduce rates of youth violence in communities. At a minimum, competitive applicants will provide theoretical rationale and empirical evidence in support of the specific intervention proposed, and will conduct a rigorous evaluation of

the intervention.

Funds: Total funds available: \$1 million

Range of awards: \$250,000 to \$500,000

Number of awards: two

Deadline: Letters of intent: January 2, 2004

Applications: February 17, 2004

Eligible: Public and private nonprofit and for profit organizations, and state and local

governments and their agents including, universities, colleges, research institutions,

hospitals, community-based organizations, and faith-based organizations

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FOUNDATION PROFILE

William E. and Bertha E. Schrafft Charitable Trust

Grants for Boston's Disadvantaged Youth

Program: Established in 1946, the William E. and Bertha E. Schrafft Charitable Trust is a private

family foundation that awards grants to non-profit organizations involved with the education of disadvantaged youth in the city of Boston. The trust gives preference to

organizations with a record of service to the community.

Funds: Total funds awarded: \$1.4 million annually

Range of grants: \$2,500 to \$200,000

Deadline: March 1, June 28, and October 28 of each year; the trustees meet six times per year.

Eligible: Not-for-profit community-based organizations.

Information: Ms. Karen A. Faulkner, Executive Director, Schrafft Charitable Trust, One Boston

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funding@schrafftcharitable.org, Link: www.schrafftcharitable.org

RECENT AWARDS

Yawkey Foundation II

Grants: Boston's After-School for All Partnership – \$1.5 million to expand after-school

programs at school sites throughout Boston as part of the partnership's School Sites Initiative and to expand after-school programs at community churches through the

partnership's Faith Based After-School Initiative.

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